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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1471

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 14-19-1-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS** [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: **Sec. 1.5. (a) Before March 1, 2016, the department shall, through the division of outdoor recreation, develop guidelines concerning recreational trails and amend the guidelines as necessary or advisable thereafter. The guidelines must address at least the following issues:**

- (1) Clear statement of ownership and management of each trail.**
- (2) Right-of-way inconsistencies.**
- (3) The division of responsibility for maintenance of fences, for drainage, and for maintenance of drainage or drain tiles.**
- (4) Tree, weed, and brush removal between responsible parties and landowners adjacent to recreational trails.**
- (5) Mowing responsibility.**
- (6) Law enforcement jurisdiction.**
- (7) Signage.**
- (8) Conflict resolution procedures.**
- (9) Appeal procedures.**
- (10) Use by public utility facilities.**

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(b) In developing the recreational trail guidelines described in subsection (a), the division shall consult with various groups, organizations, and agencies that will be impacted by the guidelines.

(c) The department may adopt guidelines, without complying with IC 4-22-2, to implement this section.



Speaker of the House of Representatives

President of the Senate

President Pro Tempore

Governor of the State of Indiana

Date: _____ Time: _____

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